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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract, paragraph [0086] with the following paragraph

which indicates the changes:

An electrosurgical biopsy device includes a stylet and a cannula movably

mounted on a base. The stylet has a shaft with a head at its distal end and a tissue

cutting element extending distally from the head. The stylet shaft is disposed through

the cannula for axial translation therein between withdrawn and extended positions. In

use, with the stylet in the withdrawn position against the distal end of the cannula, and

with the stylet ablation element activated, the stylet and the cannula are pushed through

the skin and the underlying tissue until the stylet head is adjacent a targeted tissue

mass. Next, the stylet is extended distally from the distal end of the cannula so that its

head penetrates the tissue mass. The cannula ablation element is then activated, and

the cannula is pushed through the tissue mass toward the stylet head, thereby cutting a

"core" through the tissue mass that is captured as a tissue specimen within the distal

end of the cannula. The cannula and the stylet are then removed from the patient's

body.

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